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Computer Based System and Method for Facilitating Commerce  
Between Shippers and Carriers

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1. Utility Patent Application Cover Sheet;
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